- (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION REGARDING SEPARATION.—For purposes of subchapters III and VII of chapter 84 of title 5, each of the following actions shall, in the case of a member participating in the Thrift Savings Plan in accordance with section 8440e of such title, be considered a separation from Government employment:
  - (1) Release of the member from active duty, not followed, before the end of the 31-day period beginning on the day following the effective date of the release, by—
    - (A) a resumption of active duty; or
    - (B) an appointment to a position covered by chapter 83 or 84 of title 5 or an equivalent retirement system, as identified by the Executive Director (appointed by the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board) in regulations
  - (2) Transfer of the member to inactive status, or to a retired list pursuant to any provision of title 10.
- (d) AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR RETENTION IN CRITICAL SPECIALTIES.—(1) The Secretary concerned may enter into an agreement with a member to make contributions to the Thrift Savings Fund for the benefit of the member if the member—
  - (A) is in a specialty designated by the Secretary as critical to meet requirements (whether such specialty is designated as critical to meet wartime or peacetime requirements); and
  - (B) commits in such agreement to continue to serve on active duty in that specialty for a period of 6 years.
- (2) Under any agreement entered into with a member under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall make contributions to the Fund for the benefit of the member for each pay period of the 6-year period of the agreement for which the member makes a contribution to the Fund under section 8440e of title 5 (other than under subsection (d)(2) thereof). Paragraph (2) of section 8432(c) of title 5 applies to the Secretary's obligation to make contributions under this paragraph, except that the reference in such paragraph (2) to contributions under paragraph (1) of such section 8432(c) does not apply.

(Added and amended Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §§ 661(a)(1)(A), 662, Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat. 670, 672.)

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1999—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 106-65, §662, added subsec. (d).

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section and amendment by Pub. L. 106-65 effective 180 days after Oct. 30, 2000, unless postponed, see section 663 of Pub. L. 106-65, as amended, set out as a note under section 8440e of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

### § 212. Advancement of basic pay: members deployed in combat zone for more than one year

(a) ELIGIBILITY; AMOUNT ADVANCED.—If a member of the armed forces is assigned to duty in an area for which special pay under section 310 of

this title is available and the assignment is pursuant to orders specifying an assignment of one year or more (or the assignment is extended beyond one year), the member may request, during the period of the assignment, the advanced payment of not more than three months of the basic pay of the member.

(b) Consideration of Request.—A request by a member described in subsection (a) for the advanced payment of a single month of basic pay shall be granted. The Secretary concerned may grant a member's request for a second or third month of advanced basic pay during the assignment upon a showing of financial hardship.

- (c) RECOUPMENT OF ADVANCED PAY.—The Secretary concerned shall recoup an advance made on the basic pay of a member under this section in equal installments over a one-year period beginning as provided in subsection (d). If the member is serving on active duty for any month during the recoupment period, the amount of the installment for the month shall be deducted from the basic pay of the member for that month. The estate of a deceased member shall not be required to repay any portion of the advanced pay paid to the member and not repaid before the death of the member.
- (d) COMMENCEMENT OF RECOUPMENT.—The recoupment period for an advancement of basic pay to a member under this section shall commence on the first day of the first month beginning on or after the date on which the member receives the advanced pay.

(Added Pub. L. 108–375, div. A, title VI, §606(a), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1945.)

# CHAPTER 5—SPECIAL AND INCENTIVE PAYS

Sec. 301. Incentive pay: hazardous duty.

301a. Incentive pay: aviation career.

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302. Special pay: medical officers of the armed forces.

302a. Special pay: optometrists.

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302e. Special pay: nurse anesthetists.

302f. Special pay: reserve, recalled, or retained health care officers.

302g. Special pay: Selected Reserve health care professionals in critically short wartime specialties.

302h. Special pay: accession bonus for dental officers.

302i. Special pay: pharmacy officers.

302j. Special pay: accession bonus for pharmacy officers.

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303a. Special pay: health professionals; general provisions.

303b. Waiver of board certification requirements.

304. Special pay: diving duty.

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Sec.		bers with foreign language proficiency" for "Special
305a.	Special pay: career sea pay.	pay: foreign language proficiency pay" in item 316, and
305b.	Special pay: service as member of Weapons of	struck out item 316a "Waiver of certification require-
200	Mass Destruction Civil Support Team.	ment".
306.	Special pay: officers holding positions of un- usual responsibility and of critical nature.	2003—Pub. L. 108–136, div. A, title VI, §§ 621(a)(2)(B),
306a.	Special pay: members assigned to inter-	624(b), 625(b), Nov. 24, 2003, 117 Stat. 1505–1507, added items 305b and 326 and substituted "qualified members"
0002.	national military headquarters.	for "qualified enlisted members" in item 314.
307.	Special pay: special duty assignment pay for	2002—Pub. L. 107–314, div. A, title VI, §616(a)(2), Dec.
	enlisted members.	2, 2002, 116 Stat. 2570, added item 307a.
307a.	Special pay: assignment incentive pay.	2001—Pub. L. 107-107, div. A, title VI, §§ 621(b),
308.	Special pay: reenlistment bonus.	622(a)(2), Dec. 28, 2001, 115 Stat. 1140, 1142, added items
[308a.	Repealed.]	324 and 325.
308b.	Special pay: reenlistment bonus for members	2000—Pub. L. 106–398, §1 [[div. A], title VI, §§624(a)(2),
2000	of the Selected Reserve.	(b)(2), 628(c), 633(a)(2)], Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1654,
308c.	Special pay: bonus for enlistment in the Selected Reserve.	1654A-152, 1654A-153, 1654A-155, 1654A-158, added items 302i, 302j, 309, and 323 and struck out items 308a "Spe-
308d.	Special pay: enlisted members of the Selected	cial pay: enlistment bonus' and 308f "Special pay:
500a.	Reserve assigned to certain high priority	bonus for enlistment in the Army".
	units.	1999—Pub. L. 106-65, div. A, title VI, §§ 626(a)(2),
308e.	Special pay: bonus for reserve affiliation	627(a)(2), 628(a)(2), 629(a)(2), 642(b), Oct. 5, 1999, 113 Stat.
	agreement.	656, 657, 659, 660, 663, added items 318 to 322.
[308f.	Repealed.]	1998—Pub. L. 105–261, div. A, title VI, §617(c)(2), Oct.
308g.	Special pay: bonus for enlistment in elements	17, 1998, 112 Stat. 2041, struck out "location" after
	of the Ready Reserve other than the Se-	"hardship duty" in item 305. 1997—Pub. L. 105–85, div. A, title VI, §§ 617(b), 619(c)(2),
2001	lected Reserve.	625(a)(2), Nov. 18, 1997, 111 Stat. 1789, 1790, 1795, added
308h.	Special pay: bonus for reenlistment, enlist- ment, or voluntary extension of enlistment	item 301e and substituted "hardship duty location pay"
	in elements of the Ready Reserve other	for "while on duty at certain places" in item 305 and
	than the Selected Reserve.	"Special pay or bonus:" for "Special pay:" in item 314.
308i.	Special pay: prior service enlistment bonus.	1996—Pub. L. 104–201, div. A, title VI, §615(c)(2), Sept.
308j.	Special pay: bonus for certain initial service	23, 1996, 110 Stat. 2546, added item 302h.
	of officers in the Selected Reserve.	Pub. L. 104–106, div. A, title VI, §614(a)(2), Feb. 10,
309.	Special pay: enlistment bonus.	1996, 110 Stat. 361, added item 302g. 1991—Pub. L. 102–190, div. A, title VI, §§ 634(b), 635(b),
310.	Special pay: duty subject to hostile fire or	636(b), Dec. 5, 1991, 105 Stat. 1381–1383, added items 302f,
Г911	imminent danger.	303b, and 316a.
[311. 312.	Repealed.] Special pay: nuclear-qualified officers extend-	Pub. L. 102-25, title VII, §702(a)(1), Apr. 6, 1991, 105
012.	ing period of active service.	Stat. 117, substituted "Multiyear retention" for "Re-
312a.	Special pay: nuclear-trained and qualified en-	tention" in item 301d.
	listed members.	1990—Pub. L. 101–510, div. A, title VI, §§611(a)(2),
312b.	Special pay: nuclear career accession bonus.	618(c)(2), title XII, §1203(a)(2), title XIV, §1484(f)(1), Nov.
312c.	Special pay: nuclear career annual incentive	5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1576, 1579, 1657, 1717, revised chapter heading so as to appear in all capital letters, added
	bonus.	item 301d, inserted "and nonphysician health care pro-
[313.	Repealed.]	viders' after "psychologists" in item 302c, and added
314.	Special pay or bonus: qualified members ex- tending duty at designated locations over-	item 317.
	seas.	1989—Pub. L. 101–189, div. A, title V, §505(a)(2), title
315.	Special pay: engineering and scientific career	VII, $\S\S704(b)(2)$ , $705(a)(2)$ , $706(a)(2)$ , Nov. 29, 1989, 103
	continuation pay.	Stat. 1438, 1471–1473, struck out "in the Public Health
316.	Special pay and bonus for members with for-	Service Corps' after "psychologists" in item 302c and
	eign language proficiency.	added items 302d, 302e, and 308d. 1987—Pub. L. 100-140, §2(b)(2), Oct. 26, 1987, 101 Stat.
[316a.	Repealed.]	831, added item 302c.
317.	Special pay: officers in critical acquisition	1986—Pub. L. 99–661, div. A, title VI, §634(a)(2), Nov.
010	positions extending period of active duty.	14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3885, added item 316.
318.	Special pay: special warfare officers extend-	1985—Pub. L. 99-145, title VI, §§ 639(e), 644(a)(2), Nov. 8,
319.	ing period of active duty.  Special pay: surface warfare officer continu-	1985, 99 Stat. 651, 653, substituted "dental officers of the
010.	ation pay.	armed forces" for "dentists" in item 302b, added item
320.	Incentive pay: career enlisted flyers.	308i, and struck out item 311 "Special pay: continu-
321.	Special pay: judge advocate continuation pay.	ation pay for dentists in the armed forces".  1984—Pub. L. 98-525, title VI, §623(b)(2), title XIV,
322.	Special pay: 15-year career status bonus for	\$1402(b)(2), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2542, 2621, substituted
	members entering service on or after Au-	"special duty assignment pay for enlisted members"
000	gust 1, 1986.	for "proficiency pay for enlisted members" in item 307,
323.	Special pay: retention incentives for members	and added item 306a.
324.	qualified in a critical military skill.  Special pay: accession bonus for new officers	1983—Pub. L. 98-94, title IX, §905(b)(2), title X,
021.	in critical skills.	§1011(b)(2), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 664, struck out item 308d "Special pay bonus for enlistment, reenlistment

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expenses and other contingencies.

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Incentive bonus: savings plan for education

Incentive bonus: conversion to military occupational specialty to ease personnel short-

2004—Pub. L. 108–375, div. A, title VI, §§619(b), 620(a)(2), (b)(2), Oct. 28, 2004, 118 Stat. 1952, 1954, added item 308j, substituted "Special pay and bonus for memserve other than the Selected Reserve", added items 308g and 308h, and in item 310 inserted "or imminent danger" 1981—Pub. L. 97–60, title I, §§117(c)(2), 120(b), Oct. 14, 1981, 95 Stat. 997, 999, added items 308f and 315.

308d "Special pay: bonus for enlistment, reenlistment,

or extension of enlistment in elements of the ready Re-

1980—Pub. L. 96–579,  $\S 3(e),\ 5(a)(2),\ Dec.\ 23,\ 1980,\ 94$ Stat. 3364, 3366, added items 301c and 314.

Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §506(5), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2919, struck out items 302c "Special pay: medical offi-